WIPED OUT BY FIRE.

Adjoining Buildings Damaged-Suspi-clous Circumstances About Origin-

(By a Staff Correspondent.)

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Moosup, Dec. 22.—Moosup was visited by an early morning fire Tuesday that wiped out the Salisbury block, badly damsged the Bellevance building adjoining, caused some damage to the Hyde block, a structure just east of the Salisbury building, scorched the homes of Dr. Charles N. Allen and Moses Linell across the street and caused considerable damage to the poles, wires and a 50-pair

age to the poles, wires and a 56-pair cable of the Southern New England

Started in Salisbury Block.

May Have Originated in Candy

Kitchen,

The cause of the fire was undetermined Tuesday, but is believed to have originated in the rear of the James Paris candy kitchen, in the

Salisbury block, a two story wooden

Bellevance Heaviest Loser.

When the blaze was discovered it had gained big headway and was already giving evidence of the damage to follow. Besides the Paris candy kitchen the firms in the Sallsbury

block were O. F. Cardinal, a fish deal-er; Wilfred Larcse, lunch, pool and bowling alleys; Benjamin F. Tucker.

jeweler and watch repairer. There was little of value it is stated on the second floor of the building which has been used for storage purchases in the Pellevance building liliam Pellevance, the owner, had a store in which he carried a valuable stock of cigars to be a store of the pellevance of the

cigars, tobacco newspapers, toys, no-tions and many other lines and he will

Hyde Building Tenants.

In the Hyde building tenants are S. Abrahams, tailor, and M. C. Mott. grocer. All Hallews council, K. of C., has its council chamber on the sec-

has its council chamber on the sec-ord floor of this building. The firms doing business in the Salisbury block of which only the celiar remains, were wiped out. Mr. Bellevance and his tenants fared little better, though there is a chance for a small amount of salvage for them. The Hyde block firms' losses were exceedingly slight.

Cracked Hydrant Burst.

Valuable Time Lost.

### WARNING TO WESTERLY MERCHANTS SALIL JRY BLOCK, MOOSUP,

Chief of Police Brown Suggests Watchfulness Against Holiday Week Burglars-Two Arrests Result From Kitchen Barroom Raids- Christmas Business Good- Mrs. Wheeler to Rebuild at Pleasant View.

Police Chief Brown is urging Westerly merchants to guard well their cash during the present busy buying season and not to depend wnolly upon police protection against possible burglars and sare breakers. He says the few patrolmen will guard premises as few patrolmen will guard premises as best they can and be on the alert for suspicious characters, but must of ne-cessity guard a large territory. In cessity guard a large territory. In larger places thieves work successfully in spite of what is believed to be an adequate and efficient police force, and there is no reason why successful thievish operation could not be done in Wasterly Surgiers, expert in their thievish operation could not be done in Westerly. Burglers, expert in their line, readily enter buildings in well-policed cities and are liable to do likewise in Westerly, hence Chief Browns warning. For the accommodation of merchants, the banks of Westerly remain open on Christmas eve to receive deposits.

Congressman Peter Goelet, representing the Second congressional district, of which Westerly is a part, and which also includes a section of the city of Providence, will repeat his benevolent act of a year ago and give a Christmas dinner to over 1,200 children in infantry hall, Providence. This year's event will be on the same lines as last Christmas, except that the as last Christmas, except that the mothers may accompany the children and share in the congressman's hospiand share in the congressman's hospitality. Santa Claus will welcome the children and help keep them in good humor while the big turkey dinner is in progress, and will didtribute the presents to each child at the conclusion of the feast. Music will be furnished by Fay's band, and the programme will include a long list of children's airs as well as the latest popular pieces, and the diners will be given opportunity to sing to each. opportunity to sing to each.

As a result of the recent police raids on kitchen barrooms in Westerly and the subsequent confiscation of the liquors seized and destruction of the liquors seized and destruction of the same, after a hearing in the Third district court, Chief of Police Thomas E. Brown arrested Frank Murano and Frank Gingerella. They were arraigned before Judge Oliver H. Williams in the Third district court, charged with keeping liquors with intent to sell same. Both entered pleas of not guilty. The hearing was continued to one week from next Friday, New Year's day. Each furnished a bond of \$100 for appearance at that time.

The public schools of Westerly will close today (Wednesday) and reopen

There is ice in the Pawcatuck river, but it is not strong enough for skating

In common with all others, the postoffice employes of Westerly are un

The next stated session of the Third district court in Westerly will be on New Year's day. While there is no legal "posting" in Westerly saleons, Chief Brown's word to the wise is sufficient.

The federal government has allotted

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Telephone company. A number of firms were burned out or suffered losses by water, the total damage being estimated at from \$15,000 to \$20,000, partly covered by insurance. A large lot of native turkeys was sold at wholesale in a local market Tuesday at 49 cents a pound. Miss Desdamena Heinrich of Lasell seminary is the guest of Albert Fehmer and family in Narragansett avenue.

The People's mission is soliciting for anything that will aid to bring good cheer to the noor at Christmas time. A leaky can of olive oil in a parcel post pouch damaged or destroyed sev-eral packages consigned to Westerly

Started in Salisbury Block.

The fire was discovered just before 4 a. m. Before the firemen could respond, and they came quickly, the Salisbury block, where the fire originated, was wrapped in fiame and there was little chance of any department saving it, no matter how efficient. The attention of the firemen was devoted to saving the adjoining structures and with considerable success, though the Bellevance building was gutted and will have to be practically rebuilt. The Hyde building, on the other side of the blazing Salisbury building, fared better, though one wall was so scorched as to cause the bricks to peel and the cornices were damaged. There will also be a slight loss by water to tenants in this building. Michael Connell and C. W. Miller of Westerly form one-ninth of the poultry class, 1914, of the Rhode Isl-and State college.

Mrs. Lucy P. Wheeler of East Hart-ford has awarded the contract to build a new cottage at Pleasant View to re-place the one recently destroyed by

Though there are many out of employment in Westerly, many of the merchants report that business com-pares favorably with that of a year

Fire Chief Cottrell and Assistant Coyle have been visiting presises on a tour of inspection in the interest of prevention of fires. Suggestion is made that they visit the cellars in the busi-ness center.

The republican members-elect of the next Rhode Island general assembly will hold a caucus at the state capitol next Monday. At that time Representative-elect Francis G. Haswell will get his initial conception of Rhode Island statements.

When the snow comes, chains will be placed on the tires of the motor-driven fire apparatus and Chief Cottrell is seeking the best device to keep he wheels from the floor while the apparatus is standing in the fire house. in order to lengthen the life of the air-

Rev. F. C. A. Jones conducted the funeral service of James T. Stott al his home in Cross street Tuerday af-ternoon, a large number of friends beend. The carers were Frank W. cwey, John Given, Charles F. Berry nd Howard Tefft,

At the annual meeting of the Italian Citizens' club of Westerly Peter Rose was elected president, Frank Bruno treasurer and Frank Tuscano recreary. The club has a membership of 70 full-fiedged voters and is non-partisan, which is almost meaningless in republican Westerly.

### POQUONNOC

Legislature Must Decide About Removal of 200 Bodies from Ancient

Capt. Percy Morgan, William S. Thomas and Cyrus Avery, acting for the Smith Lake Cemetery association. recently met the committee composed of C. Tyler I andphere, C. P. Fitch and Frank Johnson, appointed at a recent meeting of the warden and burgesses to attend to the matter of re-moving the bodies in Smith Lake cemetery. At present about 200 are there. No decision was arrived at Many of the stones have fallen over. some graves are not marked and it would be impossible to say with any degree of certainty whose bodies some of the graves contained. These must all be named before permits for the all be named before permits for the removal will be issued, unless the legislature consents to a wholesale removal without specifying the names.

Every body will be given a lot in the new cemetery, Some of the graves there are more than 200 years old. The removal is to clear the watershed of the borough of Groton, situated in Poquonoc.

Conductor Branch III. Conductor John Branch of the Groton and Stonington line is confin

I inell homes across the street were scorched, the Allen place suffering much the worst, as the whole front now shows that the building was on the point of blazing. Telephone Cable Melted Off.

During the fire a 50-pair cable of the S. N. E. Telephone company running along the rear of the burning wildiers and near the railroad melting ard a number of distributing were put out of service. In a of the burning buildings poles Sample Show

in" wires of the company "mas and will probably have be replaced. th characteristic energy and effi-tioncy the telephone people had a big orce of cable and linemen in Moosup from Nerwich, Danielson and other places early in the morning and the work of regaining commenced at once.

Wany of the wires were back in service by noon and the service was completely restored in the afternoon. Will Probably Rebuild. There was difficulty Tuesday in as-certaining what the net losses will be.

certaining what the net losses will be.
Some of the firms are insured, others are not. The Buildings were protected by insurance. E. E. Salisbury, owner of one of the buildings, said Tuesday afternoon that his loss on his building is \$6,000, the insurance on the structure being half that amount—\$2,000. The Salisbury building was badly damaged by fire once before, about five years ago, Mr. Salisbury about five years ago. Mr. Salisbury says he will probably rebuild but on Tuesday had not definitely decided ust what his plans for the future will be. Mr. Bellevance will have the damage to his building repaired. Suspicious Circumstances, There are certain suspicious cir-umstances about the fire that are

eing investigated, it is said, but just what these things are were not given out. None of the firms occupying the buildings can figure out how the fire started and it is possible that Moosur

HEAVY STORMS HINDER MEXICAN CONFERENCE

General Scott Says Whole Country Is Under Water-Travel Is Difficult.

Washington, Dec. 22.—General Scott, chief of staff of the army, who was sent to Naco to endeavor to re-strain the warring Mexican factions from continuing hostilities which would endanger life and property on the American side of the border, tel-egraphed Secretary Garrison from Naco under date of noon today as

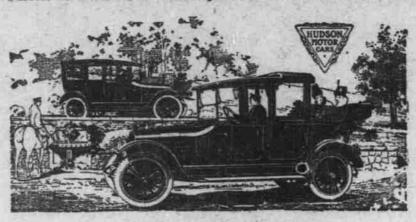
"Heavy three days' storm; whole "Heavy three days storm; whole country under water, travel most difficult. Maytorena unable to get to the conference arranged for at 10 o'clock this morning at Osborne. I had a conference with Carranza's agent last night. Full conference with Hill has been arranged for tomorrow and Maytorena has telegraphed for another appointment."

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be the heaviest loser, though he carries some insurance. His place of business was wrecked and his stock EXPOSURE CAUSES SURRENDER OF FUGITIVE FROM JUSTICE of goods reined by the fire Dr. A. Fortaire had an office in the Bellevance building and suffered severedamage to his property. Edward Valliant a the repairer, also had his place of buriness in the Bellevance building, in the rear. Alleged Slayer of a Deputy Sheriff and a Boy at Oakley, W. Va.

Charleston, W. Va., Dec. 22 .- In a state of collapse from fatigue and exposure, Mat Jarrell, alleged slayer of a deputy sheriff and a nine-year-old boy at Oakley, last night, surrendered late today to the authorities of Boone county and was placed in jali at Mad-

Deputy Sheriff Silas F. Nance was killed instantly in a revolver duel with Jarrell, whom he attempted to arrest for drunkenness. Bullets from Jarrell's revolver are said to have struck Henry Ratcliffe, nine; Mrs. Josephine Wines and Belle Adams. Ratcliffe died late today. The women are wounded seriously, it is reported. The bursting of a hydrant, not far from the burning buildings, caused serious loss of valuable time to the fire-for "pistoi-toting," was paroled recently by Governor Hatfield. men, within a few minutes after they began their fight. This hydrant has been cracked in its casing for months.

FREIGHT STEAMER ASHORE ON MASSACHUSETTS COAST Revenue Cutter Acushnet and a

Wrecking Tug Are Alongside.

it was stated in Moosup Tuesday, and it withstood the heaviest pressure of the water flowing through it for only a few minutes before giving way and throwing forth a geyser that was of no benefit. Hyannis, Mass., Dec. 22.-The While this emergency was being met by closing the gate in the Cranska mill yord, this forced action putting other hydrants out of service, the fire swept through the doomed buildings with added fury. New lines of hose were run from hydrand the cut of service, the fire swept through the doomed buildings with added fury. New lines of hose were run from hydrand the cut oday, having been blown by a southoday, having been blown by a southhose were run from beyond the cut-out gate at the Cranska mill and another the long distance from the Union mill by the firemen and the battle resumed. Two hours of hard work brought the fire well under conwest of Handkerchief Shoal during the night. At low water the Lansing was well up on the bar and was listing heavily to port. The revenue cutter Acushnet and a wrecking tug were alongside and were prepared to attend the Lansing on the evenue cutter acushnet and a wrecking tug were alongside and were prepared to attend to the Lansing on the evenue. in the meantime the Dr. Allen and

MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE OF A DEPUTY SHERIFF

Was Active in Enforcement of Maine Liquor Law-Foul Flay Is Feared. Island Falls, Maine, Dec. 22.-Dep-

uty Sheriff Harry C. Hillman, who has been active in the enforcement of the prohibitory liquor law, has disappeared and county officials today ex-pressed a fear that he had been kid-napped or murdered. A laborer who is said to have made threats against the deputy because of many liquor seizures has been detained on sus-

picion.

Hillman was last seen at 8 o'clock last night. He told his family that he was going to return to a foreign resident a box of liquor seized by mistake and that he would be back home in fifteen minutes. His fallure to re-turn led to a search of houses in a section of the village occupied by tan-nery employes, but no trace of him was found.

GERMAN AVIATOR THREW THREE BOMBS INTO DOVER And Reconnoitred Position of British Fleet.

Berlin, Dec. 22 (By wireless to the position of the British fleet, "Russian courts martial in Poland

tempt to float the Lansing on the evening tide. given up their seats as a protest against the war."

ENORMITY OF CHICAGO PARCEL POST BUSINESS

One and One-Quarter Million Pounds Sent Out Sunday and Monday.

Chicago, Dec. 22.-One and onequarter million pounds of parcel post mail were sent out by the postoffice here Sunday and Monday, double the quantity handled last year it was said today by Postmaster Campbell. This figure does not include incom-

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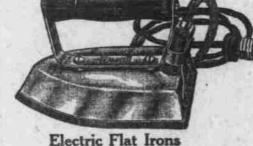
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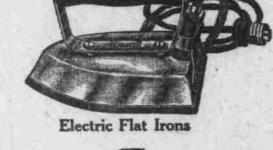
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